Account of the Relief of Lucknow. A letter dated Calcutta, October 8th, gives the following thrilling account of the relief of

the besieged at Lucknow: "I give you the following account of the relief of Lucknow, as described by a lady, one of the rescued party :- "On every side death stared us in the face; no human skill could avert it any longer. We saw the moment approach when we must bid farewell to earth, yet without feeling that unutterable horror which must have been experienced by the unbappy victims at Cawapore. We were resolved rather to die than to yield, and were fully pursuaded that in twenty-four hours all would be over. The engineers had said so, and all knew the worst. We women strove to encourage each other, and to perform the light duties which had been assigned to us, such as conveying orders to the batteries and supplying the men with provisions, especially cups of coffee, which we prepared day and night. I had gone out to try and make myself useful, in company with Jessie Brown, the wife of a corporal in my husband's regiment. Poor Jessie had been in a state of restless excitement all through the seige, and had fallen away visibly within the last few days. A constant fever consumed her, and her mind wandered occasionally, especially that day, when the recollections of home seemed powerfully present to her. At last, overcome with fatigue, she lay down on the ground, wrapped up in her plaid. I sat beside her, promising to awaken her when, as "her father should return from the plowing." She fell at length into a profound slumber, motionless, and apparently breathless-her head resting in my lap. I. myself, could no longer resist the inclination to sleep, in spite of the continual roar of the cannon. Suddenly I was aroused by a wild, unearthly scream, close to my ear; my companion stood upright beside me, her arms raised, and her head bent forward in the attitude of listening. A look of intense delight broke over her countenance, she grasped my hand, drew me towards her, and exclaimed: Dinna ve hear it? dinna ve hear it? Ay, I'm no dreamin'; its the slogan o' the High-landers! We're saved! we're saved!" Then, flinging berself on her knees, she thanked God with passionate fervor. I felt utterly bewildered; my English ears heard only the roar of artillery, and I thought my poor Jessie was still raving, but she darted to the batteries, and I heard her cry incessantly to the men, "Courage! courage! hark to the slogan -to the Macgregor, the grandest o' them a'. Here's help at last!' To describe the effect of these words upon

the soldiers would be impossible. For a moment they ceased firing, and every soul listened in intense anxiety. Gradually, however, there arose a murmur of bitter disappointment, and the wailing of the women who had flocked to the spot burst out anew as the Colonel shook his head. Our dull lowland ears heard nothing but the rattle of the musketry. A few moments more of this death-like suspense, of this agonizing hope, and Jessie, who had sunk on the ground, sprang to her feet, and cried, in a voice so clear and piercing that it was heard along the whole linc-"Will ye no believe it noo? The slogan has ceased, indeed, but the Campbells are coming'! D'ye hear? d'ye hear?" At that moment we seemed, indeed, to hear the voice of God in the distance, when the pibroch of the Highlanders brought us tidings of deliverance, for now there was no longer any doubt of the fact. That shrill, penetrating, ceaseless sound, which rose above all other sounds, could come neither from the advance of the enemy, nor from the work of the sappers. No, it was indeed the blast of the Scottish bag-pipes, now shrill and barsh, as threatening vengeance on the foe, then in softer tones seeming to promise succor to here such a scene as that which followed. Not a heart in the residency of Lucknow but taneous impulse fell upon their knees, and nothing was heard but bursting sobs and the murmured voice of prayer. Then all arose, and there rang out from a thousand lips a great shout of joy, which resounded far and wide, and lent new vigor to that blessed pibroch. To our cheer of "God save the strain that moves every Scot to tears-"Should auld acquaintance be forgot," &c. After that, nothing else made an impression on me. I scarcely remember what followed. Jessie was presented to the General on his entrance into the fort, and at the officers' banquet her once more the familiar air of 'Auld lang

Our readers, however, will remember that since Lucknow was relieved by Gen. Havelock, the Sepoy force, from 50,000 to 70,000 strong, had again surrounded the residency, and, at later dates, were threatening the gallant Havelock and his little army with destruction. Sir Colin Campbell, at the head of 10,000 men, was, however, quickly advancing

A Railroad Conductor in a Fix. The other day, as Chang and Eng, the Siamese twins, were going to Charleston, the conductor of the cars made a fuss because they did not each have a ticket .-The gentleman who had charge of them said that they had always been carried on the ticket of a single passenger. The conthe gentleman, "I will give the ticket to Cumberland Coal Co. 101. Va. 6's 871. Chang, and you can put Eng off the cars." This brought the conductor to his senses and he "knocked under."

Walker's Captive Army.

NORFOLK, Jan. 3d .- Some of Walker's officers are here on parole. Private Thomas Donohoe, of Brooklyn, died on board the Saratoga last night. Private Peter Oakes died on the voyage. Adjutant Biles has been arrested here since the arrival of the Saratoga on a charge of grand larceny committed in Philadelphia. Mrs. Buttrick and three children are among the prisoners.

The officers and crew of the Saratoga are cent." in good health.

The Leviathan.

The people are looking anxiously for the next accounts from England hoping that they may bring tidings of the successful launching of the monster ship.

It has been decided that she shall make three voyages to Portland, Maine; and if her trips are found to pay, she will be permanently fixed upon the route between Holyhead and that port. She has been gradually moved between forty and fifty feet towards the water .- Petersburg Democrat.

Rumored Appointment.

It is rumored that Senator Biggs has been appointed to the office made vacant by the death of Judge Potter, of North Carolina, and that the Hon. T. L. Clingman has been recommended by the Congressional Delegation from this State to the Governor, as the proper subject of an executive appointment to fill the senatorial vacancy until the meeting of the Assembly. We give the rumor for what it is worth.—Raleigh Register.

The Treasury Notes.

Toppan, Carpenter & Co., who are now engaged in engraving the plates for the Treasurv notes of the denomination of \$100, report to the Secretary, in a letter dated December 30th, that their share of the work will be finished by the 12th of this month .and \$500, report that their plates will not miles from town. Apply at be ready before the 18th inst .- Wash. States,

New Hall of the House of Reps. From a recent letter of the intelligent Washington correspondent of the New Orleans Crescent, over the signature of "Malou," we take the following paragraph in reference to the new hall of the House of

Representatives: fallen, is accurately reflected in the architecture of that enormous steamboat cabin and fancy bar room, the new Hall of Representaspectator an uninterrupted view of whatever may chance to be going on within its walls, and that it improves somewhat upon acquainmore readily because I am compelled upon the whole, to pronounce it utturly unworthy of and entirely out of keeping with the simarrangement of this remarkable apartment, to mere utility, while with regard to the ornamentation the grand aim has undoubtedly been to use a Dickensism, how to overdo it .-It resembles, more than anything else I can compare it to, the parquette of a strange, oblong theatre, with but a singgle tier, not of produced by a first view is that of anger at tracts made prior to the 17th March, 1856. the vulgar and contemptible profusion of its polychromatic adornment, and I have yet to hear the first voice lifted in approbation of its gilded extravagance. True, the seat for the Speaker and Clerk is chargeable with anything but vulgarity; it is, indeed, the very reverse of this-neat, simple, beautiful; but the contrast is only the more painful, and the effect pretty much that which would be produced by the erection of a handsome marble tombstone upon an old-fashioned, red and green counterpane. Chastity of taste and elevation of sentiment are wanting in this great room, as they are wanting in the character of the great people whose servants will shortly occupy it. Compare it with the old hall, and the story of our national progress towards riches and from dignity, is told sadly and at once. I much prefer the sense of power imparted by the breecla pillars of the old hall, though they obstruct the vision: much prefer the grace of the drapery, though it is now dingy and worn, and I cannot forgive the absence of that statue of Liberty, standing calm and white in the tympanum above the Speaker's head, as if by the majesty of its presence to still the voice of faction

Naval Courts of Inquiry. Before Court No. 3-the only Court now in session-the case of Ex-Captain Ramsay was continued yesterday.

all too feeble at this hapless hour, of the true

COMMERCIAL.

PRICES OF PRODUCE IN ALEXANDRIA FROM CARS, VESSELS, AND WAGONS, (YESTERDAY. WHEAT, White 1 05 @ Do red...... 1 00 @ Corn, old (white.)...... 0 50 @ Corn, new (white)...... 45 Conn, (mixed.)...... 65 @

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HAY, (* 100 lbs.)...... 0 621 @ 0 75 We have no change to make in our quotations. day, at \$5 56. Very little Grain offering, and question more recently propounded to us by pipers marched around the table playing receipts unusually light. Sales of small lots of country correspondents, "Why is standard white at 100@110c; red 95@100c. No Corn

PORK. 6 50 @ 7 00 LARD, (in kegs) 0 103 @ 0 113

offered. Very little demand for Rye and Oats. The Markets.

Baltimore, Jan. 4.—Flour is quiet, at \$4.50 for Howard street. Ohio, and City Mills. Sales above the price of standard superfine. of 800 bbls. Wheat is steady; red \$1@\$1,06; white \$1,07@\$1,20. Corn is better-white 51 @53c.; yellow 53@55c. Whiskey is unchanged and dull; Ohio 211c.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4 .- Flour, to-day, is buoyant; sales of 7,000 bbls.; State is quoted at \$4. 25@\$4,30; Ohio \$4.65@\$4.75; Southern \$4.50) @\$480. Wheat is dull: sales unimportant: prices are nominal. Corn is higher, with an advancing tendency; sales of 30,000 bushels; white at 58@60c. Pork heavy; mess \$15.50@ and occupied two seats; they must there- \$15.75. Beef is dull. Lard quiet. Whiskey three States had in 1855, about nine millions fore pay two passages. "Very well," said dull; Ohio 213c. Stocks are higher generally.

The New York Commercial of Saturday evening says :- "There has been no change of moment in the money market this week, the prevailing feature continuing to be extreme money seeking employment is very large, and the amount will be increased by the large sums now disbursing from dividends, interest, &c. but capitalists are very careful as to the character of their investments. The rates on call are 6@7 p cent. Paper of a class to secure confidence is scarce, and what is not absorbed by the banks rules in outside circles at 8 to 12 p

Fredericksburg, for the quarter ending January ed. It is not likely that, with the advan-1st, 1858, was-Barrels Family, 598; do. Extra, 12,418; do. Super Fine, 4,353; do. Fine 1,201; and towns, the increase of the arts and mando. Middlings, 923; do. Condemned, 348. To-JOHN GROTZ, Inspector. tal. 19,841. Fredericksburg, January 1st, 1858.

Amount of Flour inspected in Falmouth, for the quarter ending January 1st, 1858: - Family Flour, 155 barrels; Extra, 7,544 do.; Superfine, 1,135 do.; Fine, 65 do.; First Middlings, 85 do.

Second Middlings, 254 do. Wm. Head, Inspector. Falmouth, January 2, 1858.

NOTICE.—The co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the firm and name of SCHOOLHERR & CO. corration that they have done in past time, it ner of King and Royal streets, has this day been must be in the South-West where populadissolved by mutual agreement. All claims tion is more sparse, and the climate well against, and due to, the firm, will be settled by SCHOOLHERR & BRO., alone, 108, King st. SAMUEL SCHOOLHERR, LOUIS SCHOOLHERR,

ISAAC ROSENTHAL. SCHOOLHERR & BRO., will continue the

jan 5-tf SERVANTS TO HIRE FOR THE YEAR 1858.—One COOK AND WAITER—two FARM HANDS, and three GIRLS, house servants, from 13 to 16 years of age. Apply to WILLIAM B. SCARCE, Virginia House.

Rawden, Hatch & Co., to whom was given the contract for engraving the notes of \$1,000 and to take charge of a Garden, three jau 5--dlw BURKE & HERBERT'S.

By Yesterday Evening's Mails.

VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.-In the House of Delegates, on Saturday, the Speaker presented a communication from the Governor, en- with the Lecompton Constitution, and proclosing a document from the Mayor of Wheel- viding for shortly again submitting the slaing, relative to the Baltimore and Ohio Rail- very question and all the provisions of the The appetite for profuse and reckless ex- road Company. The Governor recommends said Constitution to a popular vote; measures penditure which characterizes the evil days a thorough examination into the affairs of to that end to be taken at the first session of into which this mushroom nation has already | this company, so far as it may have any connection with this Commonwealth.

Sundry engrossed bills, owing to the absence of their "patrons" were laid upon the degenerate age; that its acoustic properties were ordered to be engrossed, and all the a second reading.
On motion of Mr. Haymond, it was

Resolved, That the First Auditor inform tance, are merits which I accord it all the the House what number of counties there are in the State in which the penalty of Sheriffs' bonds, as fixed by the County Courts, is not equal to the amount of revenue, includsaid counties respectively for the time the everything seems to have been sacrificed bond is given, and any other information necessary to enable the General Assembly to legislate properly upon the subject of in- pended-ayes 117, noes 7. creasing the penalty of Sheriffs' bonds.

The Committee was instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Board of Public Works to issue certificates of debt, boxes, but of red benches. The impression for the quota of the State due upon all con-

> Several heavy land slides have lately occurred on the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad, and on the night of the 31st ult, the bridge over the Roanoke river was washed away. The company have suffered lately heavily from such accidents.

Breadstuffs

We have received several inquiries from corbreadstuffs in this market; and the question finally on his case. is always an interesting one at this season .-We have no means of preparing an answer, the correctness of which can be mathematically demonstrated; but we can give an apaproximate result which may prove satisfactory. The "taking of stock" is always attended with difficulty, and where it it strongly for the interest of holders to underrate the quantity in store, such a census cannot be reied upon, as many have found out by costly experience. We prefer a method of calculaon based upon figures within our reach .-The stock of flour in this city on the first of obligations of this Government under it. November, it is conceded, was not far from 250,000 barrels.

and recall the wrangling legislators to abbls. 250,000 unded by the House. Receipts from November 1st to Decemvisible realization of the grand idea which is the basis of our Confederation, and the bond,

> Local and Eastern trade 35,000 bbls.

Leaves stock of flour here December 29.....bbls. 868,500
In the above receipts we have included only such as have arrived by the regular channels of conveyance, and of course the aggregate is considerably within the exact stal, as a number of small lots are daily added through a variety of channels, where no account is taken. We have carefully compiled the summary from our own record, from which we print daily the names of the receivers. The exports are taken from the official records at the Custom House, and the total is the exact aggregate stated in the Government returns. The sales for Eastern and local consumption are estimated. Most of those dealers who have had the greatest experience in this trade, fix the weekly absorption, when no interruption occurs, at thirty to thirty-five barrels per week. It is proba-Do ground do 7 00 @ 7 00 | supplied from this market, has been unusualil or has been steadily declining, we do not think any allowance is required on this account, especially as we have made our estimate independent of the weekly production of the local millers, many of whom have been doing a large, steady business .-It follows from this calculation, that the stock of wheat flour held here is nearly, if not quite, nine hundred thousand barrels. will answer two questions. First, it is a sufficient reply to the question so repeatedly which, however, are nominal. There were asked a few weeks ago, "How is the produce some small sales of Union street Flour, yesterto be moved?" And secondly, it answers a by Fowle & Co.

MEMORANDA. per barrel?" Family flour, it must be understood, is of a better quality than the bulk

> The stock of wheat here is not large, as most of the receipts have been taken for milling or export. We should estimate the total at about four hundred thousand bushels. ward and settle their accounts, either by cash or The stock of Indian corn is not large, but is note. daily increasing: there is but little old here, ting .- N. Y. Jour. of Com.

of the shipments, and the best local consump-

tion is made up of "double extra" brands,

which are worth from two to four dollars

Live Stock. In the States of Obio, Kentucky and Tennessee, a larger proportion of hogs is raised than in any other part of the world! Those of swine, or more than half the whole number in Russia-double as many as in France - and as many as France, Spain, Portugal, and Italy together. One great reason of this is, that these States are the great region of Indian Corn; where the abundance of this food enables the producer to fat swine for duliness in every department. The supply of market early and politably. Looking to the great markets of Cincinnati, Louisville and Nashville, we think it an under estimate to say these State sent a million of fat hogs to market. When these animals come to be packed-to be rendered into lard-to be smoked in hams, and have their hair converted into brushes-they were worth not of visitors. less than eighteen millions of dollars .-So far as Ohio is concerned, the height The amount of Flour inspected in the city of of this production has doubtless been reachcing tide of population filling up cities comfortable. ufactures, and the relatively higher price of grain, that the domes ac animals will hereafter beats. Very respectfully, increase as rapidly as the population. Nor | jan 5-5t is it at all certain that they will increase as rapidly in the whole United States .--West of the Mississippi, in Missouri, and Iowa, M. the proportion of bogs does not seem to be as large as they were in the valley of the Ohio. There is not as large a proportion of Indian Corn as there is in the valley of the Ohio; and the fattening of both swine fitted for Indian Corn.
It seems quite probable that animal pro-

duction in Obio has reached its maximum. Horses and Mules now pay a larger profit than any other domestic animal, and consequently they are more produced. Sheep have been reduced in Ohio by the operawool. So far as the people of Ohio are concerned, they have been losers by the reduction of the tariff. They have sold no been obliged to buy foreign cloths. - Cincinnati Gazette.

In the Sanate, yesterday, Mr. Pugh introduced a bill to admit Kansas into the Union the Kansas State Legislature, &c.

Mr. Slidell offered a resolution, calling for the record of the proceedings of the Naval tives. That it typifies the gaudy taste of a table. Various bills on their second reading Courts of Inquiry, which was debated by Messrs. Stidell, Davis, Collamer and others, are very nearly perfect; that it affords the bills on their first reading were advanced to until the hour for taking up the special order-the Kansas question; when Mr. Brown, of Mississippi, delivered a speech in reply to the position of Senator Douglas.

In the House of Representatives, Mr. Clingman moved to suspend the rules to enple and pure exterior of the Capitol. In the ing license tax collected by the Sheriffs of President for all official information in his son-in-law, and executor, of the late George

> tion, as being necessary to the elucidation of the subject and to the public interest.

by Messrs. Warren, Jones of Tenn., Ritchie learn that the slaves have been tampered

and others. Mr. Faulkner desired to propose, as an amendment to Mr. Clingman's resolution, calling also for the information the Governhis preparations to that end, &c.

Mr. Cochrane addressed the House at

Mr. Savage addressed the House against this Government with reference to Central

Mr. S. then moved the previous question. also for full information concerning the recent treaty made with Nicaragua, and the for the previous question, which was not sec-

Mr. Marshall of Ky., then addressed the ground that he desired to ascertain if this Government had assumed treaty obligations making it obligatory on it to cause to be done what Commodore Paulding did in its from the Boston Traveller, dated Washington, HAVING JUST ADDED LARGELY TOOUR

> Mr. M. then moved the previous question. Mr. Kelsey asked to withdraw that call to enable him to move another amendment, calling for information whether the Government Nicaragua had made any complaint whatever against the act of Com. Paulding. But Mr. Marshall declined.

Mr. Letcher demanded the yeas and pays on Mr. Marshall's amendment; agreed to-The amendment as thus amended was next

agreed to; and then, as thus amended, the resolution of Mr. Clingma was adopted with-Subsequently, Mr. Kelsey offered his resc-

lution, as above stated, as an independent resolution; and it was agreed to. The States were then called for resolutions.

ALMANAC.						
JANUARY.		Sun rises,				Moon's Phases.
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0	Sunday	7	12	4	48	HIGH WATER.
11	Menday	7	11	4	49	Jan'r. 5 -h -m

MARINE LIST. PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-JANUARY 4 Schr. E. J. Pickup, Pickup, New York, coal

Schr. James House, (not R. G. Whilden.) sold south Spragg, from this port, arrived at Folly Land ing, 20th ult Schr. J. G. Still, Corson, from this port, arri-

ved at New York, 2d inst. TEXHE BUSINESS HERETOFORE existing ded to the late firm, are requested to come for-

rather too damp, and is therefore accumula- hitherto bestowed upon us, and hope that the new firm may continue to meet the just expectations of former customers.

MEYENBERG, BRO. & CO. Alexandria, January 1st, 1858. [Port Tobacco Times and Blue Ridge Rep.]

WE INVITE the attention of the customers of the old firm and the public generally, to our stock of NOTIONS, DRY, FAN-CY AND MILLINERY GOODS, which we will sell as low as any other house in the country.

S. & W. MEYENBERG, jan 5— Sarepta Hall, No. 85, King st.
[Port Tobacco Times and Blue Ridge Rep.]

TETHE MARSHALL HOUSE AGAIN OPEN! J. R. GRIGSBY, Proprietor .- Having tathe MARSHALL HOUSE, and secured the run. assistance of Mrs. R. PRITCHARTT and her son ir. A. Thomas Pritcharty, I most respectfulannounce to my friends and the public generally, that I am now prepared for the reception

My Ben-Rooms are large and well furnished my SERVANTS polite and attentive; my TABLE supplied with every delicacy of the season, and BAR with the choicest LIQUORS. In fine, or intensely cold. no pains shall be spared to render my guests

FORTERS and OMNBUSES regular in attendance at the arrival and departure of cars and

TOTICE.-The debts due to James A. English, and conveyed by him in trust to T.
M. Monre and A. Wylie, have been placed in
my hands for collection. Prompt payment is

required. Those whose accounts have been de-

vered, are requested to settle on or before the 15th of January, 1858, as longer indulgence will not be granted. I. LOUIS KINZER. NOTICE-MARINE INSURANCE COM-PANY OF ALEXANDRIA.—An election for fifteen Directors to serve in this Instituion, for the ensuing year, will be held at the

office of the Company, on Friday, the 15th of January, 1858, between the hours of 11 o'clock, A. M., and 1, P. M. By order of the Board: dec 31-2awtE C. W. WATTLES, Sec'y. TICKORY, OAK, AND PINE WOOD .-The subscriber has on hand 100 cords of the above WOOD, of choice quality, which he will dispose of very low for cash. Carts al.

ways in attendance.
THOMAS HUNTINGTON, dec 29-eo2w cor. of Princess and Pitt-sts. LOT OF GOOD BRICK for sale, at A Pioneer Mills. Apply to FOWLE & CO. jan 2-1w

WOOL purchased by DANIEL F. HOOE.

LOCAL ITEMS.

they do no more than justice to our efforts to journed until this morning. make our paper such a journal as they are pleased to say it is-a newspaper to be hearfire side, and in the family.

MR. Custis's Slaves .- Subjoined, will be able him to offer a resolution calling on the found a rote from Col. Robert E. Lee, the possession relative to the recent extradition W. P. Castis, esq., of this county, in referof Wm, Walker and his followers; rules sus- ence to a letter which has appeared in the Boston Traveller, concerning the slaves be-Mr. Clingman addressed the House at longing to the estate of Mr. Custis, which ength in favor of the adoption of the resolu- sufficiently explains itself and is emphatic in its contradiction of the statements made by The adoption of the resolution was favored the writer of the letter referred to. We with, since the probate of the will, and made discontented by the false representations of evil minded persons. Such a course deserves ment might be possessed of relative to Walk- not only reprehension, but the punishment er's violation of the laws of the United States, of the law upon the offenders. As for the will itself, its contents, when it was offered length, to show the necessity of ascertain- for probate, in regard to the slaves, were ing the position of Walker towards the laws published in this paper, and it is now in the respondents in the interior, so to the stock of of this country, before the House should act office of the Clerk of the County Court of this County, on record, open for the inspection of discussing the subject in advance of full in. all; and upon the honor and integrity of the formation upon it. Mr. S. also made some executors, any human being, bond or free, remarks upon what should be the policy of might confide. Mr. Washington, of Mount Vernou, received a letter a few days ago from Baltimore, acquainting him for the first time Mr. Marshall of Kentucky, asked him to of the introduction of his name in the matwithdraw it to allow him to move an amend- ter-a matter with which he has nothing in ment to the pending amendment calling the world to do. The impertinent intermeddling of officious persons in such cases. can do the negroes nothing but harm. It is Mr. Savago declined to withdraw his call these continual and persevering annoyances which irritate, and cause the bad feeling which exists between the different sections of

ARLINGTON, Jan. 4th, 1858. My attention has been called to an article

Dec. 24, published in the New York Times of the 30th, under the caption of "The Slaves of

It is there charged that the emancipation of the slaves will be much retarded if not wholly prevented by his heirs; that all attempts to see the will of Mr. Custis have proved abortive; that it is whispered about Washington that foul play is in progress, in regard to the negroes on his plantations in Virginia; that they are now being sold South; that all of them will be consigned to hopeless slavery unless something is done, and that nothing can be done unless the will is produced, &c., &c.

As it is, also, stated that Mr. Washington, of Mount Vernon, is the chief among the heirs, who have conspired to suppress the will of Mr. Custis, and to defrand the negroes of their rights, I think it proper to state that Mr. Washington is not one of the heirs, has no interest in extends, is ignorant of the provisions of his in Africa, \$3 will. Mr. Custis left his property to his daughter and only child, and her children. His will was submitted to the Alexandria County Court for probate on the 1st day of its session, (the 7th of December,) after the arrival of the executor Dec. 28 at Arlington, and is there on record in his own hand witting, open to inspection. There is no Mrs. Jamieson, author of "Characteristics of desire on the part of the heirs to prevent the Women," in blue and gold, 75 cts. Just pubexecution of its provision, in reference to the lished, and for sale by slaves, nor is there any truth, or the least foundation for the assertion, that they are being NEW BOOKS AT FRENCH'S, FOR THE HOLIDAY'S.—The thousand and one

What Mr. Custis is said to have stated to the Washington correspondent of the Boston Tra- A complete assortment of Catholic Prayer veller, or to his assembled slaves, on his death | Books, all sizes, qualities and prices, just receiv bed, is not known to any member of his family. But it is well known that during the brief days BURG, BRO. & CO, will from this date be of his last illness, he was constantly attended by carried on at the old stand, under the name of 8. & W. MEYENBURG. All persons indebtaithfully visited by his physician and pastor.—

Allerandris, Va — MUSIC, MAGAZINES, AND So rapid was the progress of his disease, after its symptons became alarming, that there was We return our sincere thanks to our custo- no assembling of his servants, and he took leave warrant to be made of the best paper and mateand new is not taken freely for export, being mers and the public generally, for the patronage of but one, who was present, when he bade rials, and bound in the strongest manner. Bank farewell to his family. R. E. LEE, Exec'r.

Contrast.—We republish our observations on the weather during the months of December and January of 1856-7, in order that our readers may draw comparisons:

1856 .- Dec. 4. Ice formed along the river

6. Ice in considerable quantities on river and creek.

18. Hunting Creek frozen over, and navigation of the Canal stopped. 19. Steamboats to Washington not able to

21. River frozen over hard. 23. River blocked up with ice a conside-

rable distance below town. Navigation by Steamboats creased 24. Navigation entirely suspended below.

River frozen hard from shore to shore. Weath-26, 27. Ice getters at work. Many persons crossing the river on the ice.

1857 .- Jan. 1. Ground covered with snow. 6. Weather very cold, and river "check and block."

8. Aquia Steamboats compelled to stop. 11. Attempted a trip, but stopped by ice at Quantico. Passengers left the boat, and walked ashore. 15. Average thickness of ice at Alexat-

dria 8 or 9 inches. 16. Many ladies and gentlemen upon the ice, on the river.

January 18. Violent snow storm commenced early, and continued until 11 a. m., on and after the 4th of January, 1858. on the 19th, when all mails in every direction were stopped. 28. Another snow storm, which continued

until moon of the 29th. 31. Snowed again.

LAND SALE IN CULPEPER.—The beautiful estate "Glen Ella," near Brandy Station, A N. BRECKINKIDGE. "The Cottage," and sold about 12 months A MERICAN HOTEL, CENTRAL RAILBOAD DEPOT, STAUNTON, VA. ago, by R. M. Bridge, esq., to Richard H. Dulany, esq., for \$20,000, has been recently Superintendent.

Baltimore, for \$24,000.

COUNTY COURT .- JANUARY TERM .- The Acknowledgement.-We would be want- Court, yesterday, acting as a court of Oyer ing in the emotions we feel, were we not to and Terminer, took up the case of Jenny, express our gratitude and return our thanks charged with the murder of Mrs. Hall, of for the kind words of approval, the Gazette has received from many of its old subscribers, and the reception on our books of the bars, and the reception on our books of the bers, and the reception on our books of the hanged on the 26th of February next, be-

HELD TO BAIL -Jas. Trammell and Rott. Ballenger were yesterday examined before tily welcomed at the place of business, at the Justice Price, on a charge of assault and to his daughter Gertrude Scott, now Mrs. Buck. battery on Edward Kemp, on Christmas day, ingham, who will dispose of her life interest at and each held to bail in the sum of \$500 for their appearance before the County Court at its February term.

> In the Washington Criminal Court, at about 4 o'clock on Friday morning last, the jury, which had retired the previous evening with premises the extensive establishment on the corthe case of Joseph E. Birch, concluded on a ner of Queen and St. Asaph streets, in this city, the case of Joseph E. Birch, concluded on a verdict which they sealed up. On Saturday
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> The buildings are all of brick, three stories morning, at 11 o'clock, it was opened in in height, with basements, of best material and Court, and proved to be a verdict of not guil- workmanship; are fully supplied with gas and

LARGE Hog .- Mr. Chas. Welch, of Woodstock, Va., recently slaughtered a hog which a change into three commodious Dwellings. weighed 900 pounds gross, and which netted 7782 pounds. The hog was 27 months old.

An attempt was made yesterday morning to set fire to the carpenter shop of Wm. W. Campbell, on Union street, which proved un-

Bishop Johns preached an eloquent and inpressive sermon to a very large congregation at Grace Church on Sunday night last.

The 8th of January, the anniversary of the battle of New Orleans, is to be duly celebrated by the Jackson Democratic Association in Washington.

The anniversary meeting of the Alexendria Orphan Asylum and Free School will be held on or about the 18th inst.

Six persons were baptised at the Baptist Church on Sunday night last.

ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE

JOB PRINTING OFFICE. JOB TYPE,

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Executed upon as reasonable terms, as at any OFFICE SOUTH OF THE POTOMAC.

Fairfux and Royal Streets. jan 2-tf DICKEN'S NEW CHRISTMAS STORY The Perils of certain English Prisoners, and

their Treasure in Women, Children, Silver, and Jewels, by Charles Dickens, 25 cts. The Atlantic Monthly for January, 25 cts. Emerson's Magazine, and Putnam's Monthly

for January, 25 ets. Blackwood for December, 25 cts. Household Words for January, 25 cts.

A fresh supply of Dr. Livingstone's Travels All the new Books, Magazines, and Newspa-

pers on hand.

MORE NEW BOOKS.—Twin Roses, a Narrative, by Anna Cora Ritchie, author of "Mimic Life," &c., price 75 cts. Stories and Legends of Travel and History, for Children, by Grace Greenwood, 75 cts. Sketches of Art, Literature, and Character, by

ROBERT BELL.

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lays, a companion to the "Arabian Nights," with an introduction by Miss Pardoe, price \$1 ed from the publishers. On hand everything in the book line for Christmas presents. dec 24

TEORGE SIGGERS, BOOK BINDER, No. OLD BOOKS BOUND IN ANY STYLE.

N. B. I also Rule and MAKE TO ORDER any description of BLANK BOOKS, which I will Officers, Bankers, Merchants, Clerks of Courts, Hotel Keepers, Insurance Companies, and all came from King George County. I will give who want BLANK BOOKS are respectfully injan 2-ti vited to give me a call.

NOTICE.—We respectfully notify all persons having open accounts on our books that their bills have been indiscriminately made off for issue up to this date, and are ready for delivery. Those preferring not to have them sent in will find their accounts ready at our desk. In view of the troubles still existing in the country in relation to monetary affairs, we beg that all will speedily comply with the wish we indicate by this notice.

CLAGETT & DODSON.

Washington, jan 1-d3w

DIEDMONT ACADEMY.-This School will be re opened on the 1st Monday in Janua-Superior facilities are offered for the advancement of pupils. Terms :- Board and Tuition for ten montus \$160, (without classics, \$155.) Send and get a Circular for particulars. Address F. M. EDWARDS.
Piedmont Station, Manassas Gap Railroad, Fauquier County, Va , dec 4- eo2m

POR SALE.—Corporation of Alexandria 1st Mortgage Orange & Alexandria Coupon do 1st do Extension Old Dominion Bank Stock

1st Mortgage Manassas Gap Coupon Bonds.

dec 30-diw BURKE & HERBERT. M ERINO BUCKS.—Twelve full blood ME-RINO BUCKS, of very superior quality, for sale, or to be exchanged for good Southdown Bucks. For terms, apply to the Overseer on the farm of Mount Zephyr, Fairfax County, Va, or to AARON LEGGETT.

Fairfax County, Va., dec 25-eo?w OTICE.—The Board of Directors of the ALEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY, have declared a dividend of 3 per cent, for the last six months, payable at the office of the Treasurer,

\$8000 ORANGE AND ALEXANtor sale at lowest market rates.

dec 30-tf CORSE BROTHERS. dec 30-tf

A Registered and Coupon, for sale by CORSE BROTHERS. W. B. JOHNSON. to \$1.

N. BRECKINAIDGE & Co., Proprietors. J. N. Woodward, late of the Woodward House, ap 12-eolv purchased by W. H. D. C. Wright, esq., of WOOL purchased by Baltimore, for \$24,000. WHEAT & BRO.

AUCTION SALES.

TALUABLE PROPERTY ON KING STREET AT AUCTION .- We will of fer at public auction, on Thursday, the 7th of names of many new ones, since the commencement of the new year. To the letters to Stuart for the Commonwealth, S. F. Beach street sixty feet eight inches, (more or less) to which we refer let this be the general ac- for the prisoner. Some other unimportant King street, twenty-two feet nine inches, (more which we refer let this be the general ac-knowledgement. We willsay, however, that business was transacted, and the Court ad-or less:) thence south parallel to Fayette street one hundred feet, (more or less) to a ten feet alley; thence west on the alley parallel to King street. The house contains twelve large rooms. This property belonged to the estate of Charles Scott, and at his death left a life interest in it public auction, on Thursday, the 7th day of January. Terms at sale.

> BY S. J. McCORMICK-AUCTIONEER. REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION .- On Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1858, at 12 o'clock, M., will be offered for sale, on the water, and thoroughly heated by flues. They were built expressly for an extensive Boarding School, and are admirably adapted for that pur

jan 5-dts A. H. CANNON & CO., Aucts

For further particulars, apply, prior to the ale, to ROBERT BROCKETT. sale, to Terms at sale.

pose; but admit, with a moderate outlay,

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF FAUQUIER LAND -In pursuance of the provisions of a deed trust from James Rogers and wife, to the undersigned, dated the 13th day of October, 1855 and of record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Fauquier County, Va., I shall sell the tract of Land in the said deed mentioned, on the premises, at public auction, to the highest bid

der, for cash, on Friday, the 8th of January, 1858. The said tract of land, containing 566 acres, lies in the upper part of Fauquier county, on the waters of Carter's Run, within three miles of the Salem station of the Manassas Gap Railroad, and is in every respect one of the best estates in the county or Piedmont region of Virginia. The soil, originally of the best quality. has been highly improved-is well watered and heavily timbered. The improvements con-sist of an elegant MANSION, in complete repair, and all necessary out buildings for the accommodation of the servants and stock necessary to carry on the Farm, Barn, Corn

Cribs, &c. The society is polished and neighborhood healthy. The Farm comprises every thing requisite to make it a most desirable residence an profitable investment.

RICHARDS PAYNE, Trustee

Should the day of sale be inclement, the sale will take place the next fair day thereafter. Fauquier county, nov 9-eots SALE OF TAVERN PROPERTY.—Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Fauquier county, made at its September term, 1855, in the case of Fishback vs. Smithers, the under signed, as Commissioner, will sell at Public

day of January next, the property in said decree mentioned, viz. The HOUSE and LOT at the Plains Station, on the Manassas Gap Railroad, in said county, now occupied by Thos. C. Board. The terms of sale are as follows, viz: Ten per cent, of the purchase money to be paid in cash on day of sale, and the balance in equal instalments at 12 and 18 months, with interest from the day of sale; the purchaser to execute

Auction, on the premises, on Saturday, the 16th

ments, and the title to be retained till the whole purchase money is paid.

JOSIAH T. FISHBACK, Comm'r.

bonds with good security for the deferred pay

Fauguier County, dec 14-eots DOVER ENGLISH SCHOOL, (MALE AND this School will open on the first Monday of January, 1858. The Session consists of 10 months. July and August, and a week at Christmas, given as vacations. Board \$12 per month .-Board for 5 days in the week, \$2 per week, Tuition in "Minor Branches." \$15; Arithmetic, Grammar, and Geography, \$20; Philosophy, &c , with the higher Branches of M thematic \$25. For further particulars, addr. ss the sub-

dec 11-eotJan15* R. B. McCORMICK. TINHIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, that the subscriber has obtained from the Alexandria County Court, Letters of Administration on the personal estate of G. W. P. Custis, late of Alexandria county, dec'd. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, on or before the 7th day of December next-they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of the said estate

scriber at Aldie, Loudoun Co., Va.

Given under my hand, this 17th day of Decem-R. E. LEE, Executor. ber, 1857. dec 17-eo4w S50 REWARD.—Ranaway from the farm Fairfax County, Va., on the night of 5th instant, negro woman HARRIET, about 35 years of age, black, 5 feet 3 or 4 inches high, and tolerably likely. She was purchased by me of Messrs. Dickinson & Hill, in Richmond, and formerly

so that I can get her. A. S. GRIGSBY. Fairfax County, Va., nov 28-eetf FOR SALE.—The HOUSE AND LOT in the village of Millwood, Clarke county, Va., formerly the residence of Dr. Robt. H. Little, on reasonable terms. It is one of the most desirable in the place, either for a private residence, or for a public house, there being none in the place. Any one wisning to purchase, by writing to me, at Salem, P. O. Fauquier Co.,

Va., will be promptly replied to K. L. HORNER Salem, Fauquier Co., Va., dec 22-eotf

FOR SALE OR RENT -A new and desirable three story BRICK HOUSE with back buildings, containing in all ten rooms. It it pleasantly situated on Payne, between Prince and Duke streets. To a cash purchaser, it will be sold a great bargain, or if rented, the price will be \$200 per year. Those wishing a nice and pleasant residence, are invited to call and examine the premises. REED & BRO.

FOR RENT-The WHARF now occupied by S. Shinn-reserved by S. Shinn-possession can be given the ist of 3d month, (March) next.

Also, a WAREHOUSE, now vacant, formerly occupied by John F. Dyer, front-

ing on the wharf. Inquire of S. H. Janney, or S. M. JANNEY, apply to Purcelville, Loudoun County, Va. 12th mo 31-eo6t

HOTEL FOR RENT.—The "BEVE-RIDGE HOUSE," in the town of Mid-dleburg, Va., is offered for rent for the next year. The house is large, in thorough repair, and has an established custom. B. P. NOLAND, Guardian of N. B. Noland Middleburg, Va , dec 4-eotf

FOR RENT.-A pleasant two story FOR RENT.—A pleasant two story BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, with large yard attached, at the corner of Fairfax and Wilkes streets. Apply at the Gazette Office. jan 4-6t

A LMANACS FOR 1858.—Farmers' and Family, Family Christian, Virginia and orth Carolina, Evangelical Knowledge Society's, and The Church Almanac, for 1858, for sale by the dozen or single copy. A supply of Diaries for 1858, at prices ranging from 25 cts. to \$1. JAMES ENTWISLE & SON, No. 95, King-street.

BEST FAMILY FLOUR AT REDUCED PRICES, in store, and for sale—
30 bbls. WELCH'S PREMIUM FLOUR. 40 do Baltimore Codarus, and other choice ISAAC PAUL. Corner of King and Water ats. A Sant part !